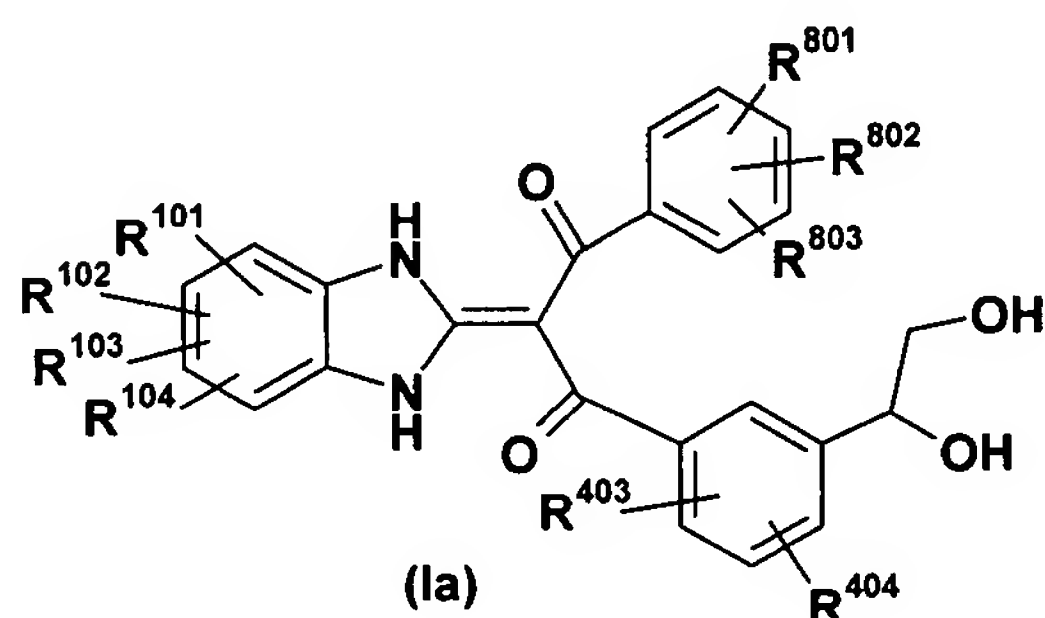


AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the last sentence on page seven with the following amended sentence:

(3) A propane-1,3-dione derivative represented by a general formula (Ia) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof



(symbols in the formula mean as follows,

R⁸⁰¹, R⁸⁰² and R⁸⁰³: may be the same or different from one another and each is H, halogen or lower alkyl, and